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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION – RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Applicant submits this response to the Office Action mailed December 13, 2005, which imposed a restriction requirement.

In response thereto, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-13, drawn to a combustion additive, classified in class 44, subclass 354+. This election is without traverse.

The independent claim reading on the elected invention is claim 1. Claims 2-13 add additional features and should remain in the application as appropriate dependent claims. For the Examiner's convenience, this Response is accompanied by a listing of the claims of the elected invention described above.